



# Wilson Harbor, NY

## **Harbor Features**

- ➤ Located on Lake Ontario at the mouth of Twelve Mile Creek in the town of Wilson, Niagara County, NY
- ➤ Authorization: Rivers & Harbors Acts of 1896, 1945 and 1968
- ➤ Shallow draft recreational harbor
- ➤ Project depths are 8 feet in the entrance channel and 6 feet within the Tuscarora Bay.
- ➤ The channel is approximately 4,900 feet long, 80 feet wide, and suitably widened at bends.
- ➤ The east and west piers protect a total of 1,331 feet of the harbor.
- ➤ Major stakeholders: U.S. Coast Guard, Town of Wilson, charter fishing interests, private marinas, and the recreational boating community.

### **Project Requirements**

- The harbor requires dredging every 3 to 5 years to maintain the navigation channel. The full harbor was last dredged in 2018 when 45,000 cubic yards of material were removed. Maintenance dredging is currently required to maintain the functional harbor areas.
- ➤ Repairs to deteriorated sections of the west pier are needed to ensure the entrance channel and shoreline are adequately protected.



## **Consequences of Not Maintaining the Project**

- Potential safety issues for recreational boating community.
- > Potential functional loss of harbor of refuge.
- ➤ Negative economic impacts, locally and regionally.

### **Transportation Importance**

- ➤ Wilson is a harbor of refuge.
- ➤ Harbor offers 465 slips for rent, as well as 4 boat launches with a total of 5 launch lanes that accommodate approximately 1,184 launches per season.
- ➤ Home to approximately 26 charter boats making approximately 546 trips per year.
- ➤ Generates \$8.5M in total revenues to accommodations, restaurants, retail, boat repair, and other services and industries; supporting 92 jobs and \$4.1M in labor income.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Fiscal Year (FY) 2021, 2022, and 2023 Wilson Harbor, NY — Project Requirements and President's Budget (\$000)

Work Package	FY21 Requirement (\$000)	FY21 Appropriation (\$000)	FY22 Requirement (\$000)	FY22 President's Budget (\$000)	FY23 Requirement (\$000)	FY23 President's Budget (\$000)
Maintenance Dredging	0	0	930	0	0	0
Engineering, Design and Construction West Pier Repair	300	0	7,500	0	300	0
Sediment Sampling & Analysis	80	0	170	0	0	0
Real Estate Management	7	0	7	0	8	0
TOTAL	387	0	8,607	0	308	0

## **Congressional Interests**

- Representative Chris Jacobs, R-NY-27
- Senator Charles Schumer D-NY
- Senator Kirsten Gillibrand D-NY